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FROM BREWER, PASS TO RICHARD A. FRANK, NOAA

E.O. 11652: N/A  
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SUBJECT: LOS - WEEK OF MAY 1 - NOAA

1. BEST NEWS OF WEEK IS PROSPECT OF AGREEMENT WITH SOVIETS AND UK ON VESSEL POLLUTION PACKAGE WHICH ENCOMPASSES MOST US PROPOSALS. IF DEAL IS CLOSED THE PACKAGE WILL BE PRESENTED AS ACCEPTABLE COMPROMISE TO PLENARY AND HOPEFULLY WILL APPEAR IN NEW TEXT. FOR FULL ACCOUNT SEE GENEVA 07035 DATED 9 MAY.

2. CONTINUED PRESSURE ON SOVIETS TO MODIFY STANDON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH HAS SO FAR PRODUCED NO VISIBLE EFFECT AT HEAD OF DELEGATION LEVEL. FOR FULL ACCOUNT SEE GENEVA 07023 DATED 9 MAY AND MOSCOW 10102 DATED 8 MAY.

3. NJENGA IS PREPARING TO SUBMIT COMPROMISE PACKAGE ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND REVIEW CONFERENCE TO PLENARY ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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10 MAY. DETAILS ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROPOSALS AND US POSITION ARE IN CABLE TO STATE DATED PROBABLY 9 MAY COPIED TO FRANK. PROPOSAL REQUIRES REVIEW CONFERENCE AFTER 20 YEARS AND PERMITS ASSEMBLY TO TERMINATE ALL NEW MINING CONTRACTS IF AGREEMENT ON NEW REGIME NOT REACHED; US HAS NOT YET TAKEN POSITION. NO SUGGESTED PROPOSALS HAVE AS YET BEEN MADE ON FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS OR PRODUCTION

CONTROLS OR STRUCTURE OF COUNCIL AND IT IS TOUCH AND GO WHETHER ANY CONSENSUS WILL EMERGE BY 10 MAY. BUT MUCH EXCELLENT TECHNICAL WORK HAS BEEN DONE ON FIRST TWO ITEMS.

4. DELEGATION HAS BEEN ACTIVE TO BUILD SUPPORT FOR SMALL CHANGE IN ARTICLE 65 WHICH WILL ENSURE THAT MARINE MAMMALS ARE SUBJECT AT LEAST TO SAME CONSERVATION REGIME AS FISH AND WILL PROPOSE SUCH CHANGE AT APPROPRIATE MOMEN. NO OTHER CHANGES AFFECTING MAMMALS ARE LIKELY.

5. US CONTINUES AS HONEST BROKER BETWEEN SOVIETS AND JAPANESE WITH GOOD CHANCE OF CHANGING ARTICLE 66 TO STRENGTHEN AUTHORITY OF STATE OF ORIGIN OVER SALMON.

6. EFFORTS TO SETTLE OUTER LIMIT OF CONTINENTAL SHELF ON BASIS IRISH FORMULA HAVE ENCOUNTERED RENEWED STIFF RESISTANCE FROM SOVIETS FOR UNCERTAIN REASONS. THEY SEEK TO HAVE IOC MAKE NEW STUDY WHICH US DEEMS QUITE UNNECESSARY CHAIRMAN OF NEGOTIATING GROUP HAS NOT YET INDICATED CONTENT OF HIS REPORT.

7. DISPUTE SETTLEMENT IN THE ECONOMIC ZONE HAS MADE UNEXPECTED PROGRESS THANKS TO FORMULA OF MANDATORY CONCILIATION INSTEAD OF ARBITRATION.

8. SUMMARY: AS EXPECTED COMMITTEE ONE REMAINS THE HANG-UP WITH NO CHANCE THAT ESSENTIAL AGREEMENTS CAN BE REACHED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THIS SESSION. A GROWING CONVICTION THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRIES HAVE MADE MORE THAN THEIR SHARE OF COMPROMISES EXISTS AT LEAST IN EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. IN ADDITION THE GAP BETWEEN PUBLIC OPINION IN ALL DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND THE COMPROMISES WHICH COULD NOW BE ACCEPTABLE TO G-77 SEEMS IMPRESSIVELY LARGE. THUS WHILE MUCH UNDERBRUSH HAS BEEN CLEARED AND TECHNICAL WORK ACCOMPLISHED THIS SESSION, THE HARDEST DECISIONS ON DEEPSEA MINING ARE STILL AHEAD. RICHARDSON

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